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For

CONJUGATED LIGANDS FOR THE STIMULATION OF BLOOD

CELL PROLIFERATION BY EFFECTING DIMERIZATION C

THE RECEPTOR FOR STEM CELL FACTOR

1185 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10036

October 21, 2002

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MAY 21, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to an Office Action issued May 21, 2002 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the May 21, 2002 Office Action was due August 21, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond. The fee for a two-month extension of time is FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400.00), and a check including this amount is enclosed. Accordingly, a response to the May 21, 2002 Office Action is now due October 21, and this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-20, 23, 24, 25, and 28-47 without disclaimer or prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the

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